CLINICAL CANCER RESEARCH
– tomorrows cancer therapy today

PHASE I

PHASE II

CLINICAL CANCER RESEARCH UNIT
Oslo University Hospital
Norway
The main objective of the Clinical Cancer Research Unit at Oslo University Hospital is to perform high quality and innovative research that will benefit current and future cancer patients.

All studies are carried out in accordance with Good Clinical Practice (GCP).
Scandinavia’s leading facility for phase I clinical trials

The Clinical Cancer Research Unit at Oslo University Hospital is located at two sites, the Norwegian Radium Hospital and Ullevål Hospital. The primary catchment area covers more than 50% of the Norwegian population and more than 9300 new cancer patients are admitted to the hospital yearly.

Early clinical trials in oncology have been an important part of the hospital’s clinical activities for years. We have considerable experience in all phases of new drug development, cancer immunotherapy and cancer vaccines, and offer excellent conditions for all types of clinical trials.

The extensive experience of the staff at the Clinical Cancer Research Unit combined with all the technology necessary for advanced phase I and phase II trials, ensure optimum results.

Located in Norway, the Clinical Cancer Research Unit also has the advantage of a homogeneous patient population with low mobility. In addition, the unique Norwegian personal identification number, together with the reliable data in the Cancer Registry of Norway provides researchers with unequalled patient data.

Optimal facilities for experimental treatment

An experienced and highly qualified staff, advanced technical facilities and an ideal location make the Clinical Cancer Research Unit at Oslo University Hospital the preferred choice for many drug developers.

The staff includes full-time oncologists, study nurses and project managers. They all have broad experience in oncology and have been specifically trained in conducting clinical trials.

The Clinical Cancer Research Unit has dedicated hospital beds and an outpatient clinic at each of the two sites. The majority of patients are treated at the outpatient clinic. For pharmacokinetics and in case of continuous vital signs monitoring, patients are admitted to the hospital ward.

The Clinical Cancer Research Unit has direct access to all the facilities at Oslo University Hospital, including:
- Intensive care units
- Clinical Pharmacology
- Medical Biochemistry
- Radiology with MRI and high resolution CTs
- Nuclear Medicine with PET/CT
- Hospital Pharmacy
- Patient Hotel
Extensive national and international network co-operation

Close co-operation with the other units at Oslo University Hospital, local public and private research establishments and international researchers, ensure optimal exchange of knowledge.

The Clinical Cancer Research Unit collaborates closely with the Institute for Cancer Research, in particular with the Departments of Tumour Biology, Cellular Therapy and the Section for Cancer Immunotherapy. Our main foci are the development of new cancer treatment modalities and translational research.

The Oslo Cancer Cluster, with members including large pharmaceutical companies, small biotech companies, academic research institutions, health initiatives and support groups in the field of biotechnology, are among the Clinical Cancer Research Unit’s local collaborators.

International collaboration is integral to most clinical trials and the Clinical Cancer Research Unit co-operates with a number of cancer hospitals in Europe as well as in the USA and with the EORTC (European Organization for Research and Treatment of Cancer). The Norwegian Radium Hospital has been chosen as 1 of 25 cancer centres in Europe to become members of the EORTC Network of Core Institutions for Translational Research (NOCI).

Performing both investigator-initiated and pharma-initiated trials

Since 1975 the Norwegian Radium Hospital has served as an international arena where drug developers and independent researchers have come to evaluate the potentials of drugs and treatment regimes.

In 1995 the Norwegian Radium Hospital established a separate Clinical Cancer Research Unit to provide optimal facilities for experimental treatment, in particular phase I clinical trials. In 2006, the new Cancer Centre at Ullevål University Hospital established a Research Unit for phase II and III trials.

The Clinical Cancer Research Unit also offers support activities including protocol writing, creating informed consent forms in Norwegian, developing case report forms and flow charts, preparing quality assurance procedures and the training of study nurses and other research staff members.

The extensive scientific experience, combined with a highly motivated staff attracts many drug developers and independent researchers. The Clinical Cancer Research Unit is at all times running multiple trials, initiated either by the pharmaceutical industry or by our own researchers. More information on our current clinical trials can be found at www.oslous.no
Updated information on our clinical research

For updated information on the Clinical Cancer Research Unit at Oslo University Hospital and our current research projects, please go to www.oslous.no

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